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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION

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Sir:

This Paper responds to the Office Action mailed December 28, 2005, and allowing three months for a response. This response is timely because it is being filed within the three-month time period set for response. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of the present application are patentable at least for the reasons discussed hereafter.